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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER IPC 7 H04Q7/38 H04Q7/22 H04L12/56		
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B. FIELDS SEARCHED Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) IPC 7 H04Q H04L		
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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used) EPO-Internal, WPI Data, PAJ		
C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT		
Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 2002/082029 A1 (AHMAD AZEEM ET AL) 27 June 2002 (2002-06-27) abstract paragraphs '0009! - '0013!, '0023!, '0024!, '0027! - '0029! paragraphs '0034! - '0039!, '0042!, '0045! - '0048!, '0053! - '0055! figure 3 ----- -/--	1-33
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X	<p>WO 97/26764 A (NOKIA TELECOMMUNICATIONS OY; KARI, HANNU, H; HUOTARI, SEPPÖ) 24 July 1997 (1997-07-24) abstract page 2, line 19 - page 3, line 13 page 4, line 9 - page 6, line 32 page 8, lines 1-15 page 13, line 11 - page 14, line 18 page 15, lines 5-15 page 17, line 17 - page 19, line 24 -----</p>	1-33
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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- ☒ Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- ☐ Box No. II Priority
- ☐ Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- ☐ Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- ☐ Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. FURTHER ACTION

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Box No. I Basis of the opinion

1. With regard to the **language**, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
 - ☐ This opinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following language , which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b)).
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 - ☐ table(s) related to the sequence listing
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 - ☐ filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes: Claims	29-33
	No: Claims	1-28
Inventive step (IS)	Yes: Claims	
	No: Claims	1-33
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes: Claims	1-33
	No: Claims	

2. Citations and explanations

see separate sheet

Re Item V.

1. The following document is referred to in this communication:

D1: US 2002/082029 A1 (AHMAD AZEEM ET AL) 27 June 2002 (2002-06-27)

2. The application does not meet the requirements of Article 6 PCT, because claims 1, 12, 22-24 and 29 are not clear.

- 2.1 Although claims 1, 24 and 29 have been drafted as separate independent method claims and claims 12 and 23 as separate independent apparatus claims, they appear to relate effectively to the same subject-matter and to differ from each other only with regard to the definition of the subject-matter for which protection is sought or in respect of the terminology used for the features of that subject-matter. The aforementioned claims therefore lack conciseness and as such do not meet the requirements of Article 6 PCT.

- 2.2 Dependent claim 22 is unclear because it is defined as "the wireless communication device of claim 22". In order to evaluate the requirements of Article 33(1) PCT claim 22 has been considered as dependant on claim 19.

3. The present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT, because the subject-matter of claims 1-28 is not new in the sense of Article 33(2) PCT.

- 3.1 Using the wording of independent claim 1, document D1, which is regarded as being the closest prior art, discloses (the references in parenthesis applying to this document):

"A method of wireless communications, comprising:
establishing a packet data session from a wireless communications device to support a network connection to a packet-switched network (paragraph 7); and
receiving a notification at the wireless communication device of an incoming call from a circuit-switched network while the network connection is active (paragraph 36)."

Independent claims 12, 23 and 24 (see also paragraph 38 of document D1, wherein the Internet Call-Waiting Server ICDS is considered to be equivalent to the voice message server of claim 24) define the equivalent features in terms of a wireless communication device and method (see also section 2.1 of this communication) to

the corresponding method claim 1.

The subject-matter of independent claims 1, 12, 23 and 24 is therefore not new.

3.2 The present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT, because the subject-matter of dependent claims 2-11, 13-22 and 25-28 is already known from document D1:

- for claims 2, 13 and 25: see paragraphs 36 and 38 of document D1
- for claims 3, 14 and 26: see paragraph 39 of document D1. It has been considered that the voice message server of the application is equivalent to the Internet Call-Waiting Server ICDS of document D1
- for claims 4, 5, 15 and 16: it is considered to be implicit in a packet data session as the one established in document D1 (see paragraphs 36 and 38) the use of a session key and a transport control protocol session.
- for claims 6-11, 17-22, 27 and 28: see paragraphs 11, 36 and 39 of document D1

4. The present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT, because the subject-matter of claims 29-33 does not involve an inventive step in the sense of Article 33(3) PCT.

4.1 The difference between independent claim 29 and 1 is that in the method of claim 29, the communications device is operating in a serving network, which is assigned to a home network. It is known by the skilled person that users, having assigned a home network, can be operating in visitor networks. To apply the method of the wireless communication system disclosed in document D1 to a wireless communications system wherein the communications device is operating in a serving network different from the home network is merely one of several straightforward possibilities from which the skilled person would select, in accordance with circumstances, without the exercise of inventive skill.

4.2 The additional features of dependent claims 30-33 are already known from document D1 (see section 3.2 of this communication).